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Physical Science (Aid) 02

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I. INTRODUCTION

This position is located in

As a trainee learns the processes and procedures required to progress within the occupation.

II. MAJOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Assists in maintenance of inventory of chemicals and supplies.

Performs simple assays using established protocols.

Learns to operate common analytical equipment.

III. FACTORS

Factor 1, Knowledge Required by the Position - FL 1-2, 200 points

Ability to learn the processes and procedures to perform simple techniques and practices to perform basic analyses.

Skill in the operation of simple devices and equipment.

Factor 2, Supervisory Controls - FL 2-1, 25 points

Supervisor or higher graded technician makes specific work assignments and provides clear, detailed instructions. Work is closely controlled and reviewed during progress to assure adherence to instructions and established procedures.

Factor 3, Guidelines - FL 3-1, 25 points

Specific, detailed guidelines covering all aspects of the work are available. Employee may not deviate from instructions without supervisory approval.

Factor 4, Complexity - FL 4-1, 25 points

The work consists of clear cut tasks which are directly related. There is little or no choice to be made regarding succeeding steps.

Factor 5, Scope and Effect - FL 5-1, 25 points

The work involves specific operations limited to a few well defined tasks. The work facilitates the work of others within the work unit.

Factor 6, Personal Contacts - FL 6-1, 10 points

Contacts are with employees within the immediate work area.

Factor 7, Purpose of Contacts - FL 7-1, 20 points

The purpose of the contacts is to obtain or give facts related to the work.

Factor 8, Physical Demands - FL 8-2, 20 points

The work requires extensive standing and sitting on laboratory benches. There is some walking, bending and carrying of light to medium loads. The work requires above average agility and dexterity.

Factor 9, Work Environment - FL 9-2, 20 points

The work may be conducted in a laboratory environment with adequate heat, light and air conditioning, or outdoors, sometimes aboard ships. May be required to wear special protective clothing such as gloves and safety goggles when handling hazardous materials or operating test equipment.

TOTAL POINTS = 370

This position is non-exempt from coverage under the Fair Labor Standards Act.

IV. UNIQUE POSITION REQUIREMENTS

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